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Presented below in translation is a leaflet signed by Halim Begeja, who was elected Balli Kombetar secretary at the Bagnoli Assembly held in August 1950:

"Albania for the Albanians

Death to traitors

"To the members of Balli Kombetar, of the Albanian Democratic Party

"Past struggles and the blood which has been poured out for Balli Kombetar compel me to make the following declarations:

"The constitution of the organization Balli Kombetar was accepted at the Congress of Berat and was amended at Reggio Emilia on 31 December 1945. We kept silent and accepted the amendment, because the apostle of Albanianism, Edhat Frasheri, stated in so many words that he "personally undertook the responsibility for this Albanian Democratic Party."

"Now I ask all members of Balli Kombetar and each member individually if it is just for four or five individuals again that we must change the name of Balli Kombetar? My answer, like the answer of the majority of Ballists, who have worked and have shed their blood for Balli Kombetar, is no. Any amendment must be made by a general convention of Ballists in Albania and not abroad, where we do not constitute even one-thousandth of the total membership. I remind you that our constitution provides that "not for any reason or under any circumstance is the Central Committee empowered to change the name of Balli Kombetar. This is the privilege of a general convention of Balli Kombetar."

"Democratic liberties are endangered by our comrades who have been blinded by their personal passion. The activity of a few comrades is in direct opposition to the ideals for which the heroes of Balli Kombetar were killed.

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[REDACTED] Comment: The leaflet apparently was issued as a reply to left-wing members of Balli Kombetar, who were accused by the moderate faction of attempting to change the name of Balli Kombetar to the "Albanian Agrarian Democratic Party" and of thereby violating the democratic principles on which Balli Kombetar was founded. [REDACTED]  
A manifesto issued by these left-wing members in August 1950 [REDACTED] decreed the expulsion of Halim Begeja from Balli Kombetar.

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